

Dr M: Singapore levy disappointed us

KOTA BARU Mon. — The Government was disappointed with Singapore for not informing Malaysia of its move to impose a levy on Malaysian-registered motor vehicles entering the republic.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the republic's move had made it difficult for the Government to advise the people about the benefits and problems which arose from it.

Responding to questions from the Press, he said the

Government has yet to register its displeasure with the Singapore Government.

Earlier, referring to the anti-tropical wood campaign against Malaysia in Japan, he said the Government would reveal the names of Malaysians involved once it has confirmed them.

Dr Mahathir said the Government had no powers to act against these people, except to expose them so that the people would know who they were.

"It appears they give more

importance to foreigners than to their own country," Dr Mahathir told a Press conference at the residence of Youth and Sports Minister Senator Annuar Musa in Hukit Marak, near here.

Science, Technology and Environment Minister Law Hieng Ding was reported today as having said that their names had been submitted to Dr Mahathir who is also the Home Minister.

At another function at the Kota Baru Polytechnic, near here, at which he met Umno leaders and support-

ers, Dr Mahathir described those who opposed Vision 2020 as un-Islamic and ignorant.

He said Vision 2020 clearly spelt out physical and spiritual objectives.

"We do not want our country to be at the mercy of the superpowers simply because we are weak and cannot fend for ourselves."

He pointed out that some Islamic countries, despite being rich, were still dependent on the super-powers for survival.

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